

**MINUTES OF AN REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance Cultural Arts Commission convened in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012 in the West Annex meeting room, Torrance City Hall.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Miranda led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Bunting, Endo-Roberts, Korman,
Miranda, Rische, and Chairperson Candioly.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Cultural Services Manager Rappoport.

4. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

MOTION: Commissioner Miranda moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda. Commissioner Bunting seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5A. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2012

Commissioner Endo-Roberts offered the following corrections to the minutes: Page 1, Item 1: "Due to the absence of Chairperson Candioly, Commissioner Endo-Roberts led the meeting." Item 3. "Present: Commissioners Miranda, Korman, Rische, Shwartz, and Acting Chairperson Endo-Roberts."

MOTION: Commissioner Endo-Roberts moved for the approval of the February 27, 2012 Commission meeting minutes as amended. Commissioner Korman seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

5B. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2012 JOINT MEETING WITH CITY COUNCIL

MOTION: Commissioner Miranda moved for the approval of the February 28, 2012 minutes of the joint meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission and Torrance City Council as submitted. Commissioner Bunting seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

5C. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2012 FOLLOW-UP MEETING

MOTION: Commissioner Rische moved for the approval of the February 28, 2012 Commission meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Endo-Roberts seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

5D. MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2012

Commissioner Endo-Roberts offered the following clarification to the March 19, 2012 meeting minutes: Page 4, 11C: "Commissioner Endo-Roberts stated that she tried to get tickets for "...And Then There Was Nun" for the last weekend but it was sold out, but that she was able to go the weekend prior."

MOTION: Commissioner Korman moved for the approval of the March 19, 2012 Commission meeting minutes as amended. Commissioner Bunting seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

None.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7A. LOS ANGELES CHAMBER ORCHESTRA'S "PLAY ME, I'M YOURS" PIANO PROJECT

Manager Rappoport discussed the "play me, i'm yours" kick-off event on April 12, 2012. She encouraged Commissioners to visit the piano that is located on the plaza outside the Armstrong Theatre as well as the website www.streetpianosLA.com. She noted that the piano was painted by Torrance resident and artist Roseline Seng. She commended General Services Department for all of their assistance and hard work.

7B. MID YEAR 2011-2012 CITY BUDGET UPDATE

Manager Rappoport noted that the Finance and Governmental Operation Committee's Mid-Year 2011-12 Budget Review Executive Summary was included in Attachment A of agenda materials. She anticipated that the mid-year budget would be approved on April 17, 2012. She stated that she had to cut a little of Torrance Art Museum's operating budget which may result in having one less exhibition. She encouraged Commissioners to attend the Budget Workshops for next year on May 8 and 15, 2012.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8A. ARTS COMMUNITY MIXER APRIL 23, 2012 AT TORRANCE ART MUSEUM

Manager Rappoport discussed plans with the General Services Department to host a mixer for the arts community on April 23, 2012 at the Torrance Art Museum. She stated that the mixer would provide an opportunity for the arts community to meet each other and share resources. She expressed hope that the mixer would become a quarterly event and encouraged Commissioners to attend the event. She noted that invitations have been sent to 38 local artists and arts organizations that include El Camino College Gallery, Torrance Artists Guild, and Cultural Arts Center Foundation. She stated that tours of rental facilities at the Cultural Arts Center would also be available.

Commissioners Miranda, Endo-Roberts, Rische, and Korman indicated that they would attend.

9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

9A. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS

Commissioner Korman stated that Michael George gave her some good ideas for a Centennial component at the October 7, 2012 Excellence in Arts award ceremony. She distributed a 12-13 minute skit that high school drama students could perform.

Manager Rappoport stated that she would share the idea with Performing Arts Specialist Inferrera and schedule a subcommittee meeting in June 2012 to discuss it.

9B. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Manager Rappoport reported that staff is waiting for cost estimates from Land Concern for the Wilson Park Amphitheatre project.

9C. GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Manager Rappoport reported that applications are due in May 2012 and that the Grant Review Committee would meet before the next Commission meeting to review applications.

10. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Manager Rappoport noted that the Cultural Services Division Report for March 2012 was included in agenda packets. She reported that the "Between the Knowing" and "Two-Headed Monster" exhibitions opened at Torrance Art Museum on April 14. She announced that Torrance Theatre Company's "Til Beth Do Us Part" opens on April 20 at 1316 Cabrillo Avenue and continues through May 19. She mentioned that it looks like Torrance Theatre Company will be able to stay at the Downtown Torrance location for another year.

She distributed fliers for Zombie Mask Making Workshops with artist Kiel Johnson on May 12 and June 2, 2012. She stated that she attended the kick-off drive for California arts license plates to raise funds for arts education and arts programs in California. She was pleased to announce that they would have two interns this summer, one at Torrance Art Museum and the other would work with Torrance Theatre Company.

11. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

11A. Commissioner Bunting stated that she attended the Cai Guo Qiang opening at MOCA, Beacon Art Center in Inglewood, and a Flamenco Festival at Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center.

11B. Commissioner Miranda discussed his recent trip to the Philippines where he attended a high school reunion.

11C. Commissioner Korman distributed fliers for a free TPAC concert in Torino Plaza on April 29 and Torrance Symphony's FUNraiser on May 19.

11D. Commissioner Rische stated that she enjoyed the Green Day show at the Ahmanson Theatre last weekend.

11E. Commissioner Endo-Roberts stated that participating on the Beat the Odds scholarship panel was a rewarding experience. She stated that there were 10 entries and that four grants will be awarded.

11F. Chairperson Candioly discussed his recent business trips to Las Vegas, Cleveland, and Kansas City.

11G. Manager Rappoport announced Torrance Civic Chorale's "Thanks for the Memory" on April 21, 2012.

12. MOTION: At 7:50 p.m., Commissioner Miranda moved to adjourn the meeting to Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex meeting room at Torrance City Hall. Commissioner Bunting seconded the motion and, hearing no objection, Chairperson Candioly so ordered.

Approved as Submitted May 21, 2012 s/ Sue Herbers, City Clerk
